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AMENDMENT-C UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the <u>non-final</u> Office Action dated October 17, 2008, please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the claim listing which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.